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ISSUE I

YOU CAN READ

FREE

AND ON THE 7th DAY, GOD CREATED CURBS.

TIMES ARE TOUGH, HUH, BUD?



STIFF UPPER LIP AND ALL THAT.

TALK IS CHEAP

FUN.

Beyond the Ordinary.

NO SUBSTITUTIONS PLEASE.

Extreme reading

that spoke an eternity
of fear and
confinement, two edges
sawing away
at each other endlessly.

HE LAID IN BED, ALONE, NO
INFLUENCES, NO INTERFERENCES.
ILL THOUGHTS CLAWED AT
HIS IMAGE OF REALITY TEARING
AWAY SHREDS OF TRUTH AND
DECEIT, HE SAT UP VIOLENTLY
TRYING TO RID THIS STATE
OF DREAD, HE GAZED INTO HIS
BROKEN MIRROR AND IN HIS EYES SHATTERED
REFLECTIONS OF A WORLD BENT OUT OF CONTEXT AND
CONTROL REVEALED SELF INFILCTED SCARS OF
WHAT WAS, BUT IS NO MORE, THE PHONE RANG
INTERRUPTING HIS MANIFESTATION OF REALISM,
HE PICKED UP THE PHONE IMPULSIVELY AND A
STRANGE VOICE REPLIED TO HIS HELLO, "HEY,
IS YOUR SISTER HOME? IT'S LIKE OF THE MOST
IMPORTANCE," HE HUNG UP THE PHONE WONDERING
HOW HIS OWN CONTORTED SENTENCE STRUCTURES
SEEK THE TRUE MEANING OF WHAT LIES BEYOND
THE REALM OF SPOKEN COMMUNICATION, HE
WALKED TO THE WINDOW, INSIDE LOOKING OUT,
A BETTY WAS STROLLING DOWN THE SIDEWALK,
A GIRL THAT REMINDED HIM OF ANOTHER GIRL,
A GIRL WHO TWISTED HIS HEART INTO A OPAQUE
CAVITY SHUNNING ALL DESIRES AND WANTS IN A
BLANTANT ATTEMPT TO DISSOLVE ALL LACERATIONS
OF DESOLATE LOVE, HE TURNED AWAY, TENSE
AND UNEASY, HE HAD REACHED THE POINT OF
NO CONCERN OR RETURN, NO GOING BACK,
NO INBETWEEN, LIVING ON THE EDGE.

ILL

Let the living live
Let the dying die
Let the in between
go unrecognized



W i L L

PAINTED CURBS
FREE FILL
ANYTHING FREE
VIOLENT FEMMES
HAPPY HOUR
STREET SKATING
BETTYS
GOING FAST
Rasta
CONTORTING
COPERS ON CURBS
PROGRESSING
AGGRESSION
LOVING LIFE
AMP-AGE
GETTING BENT
FREEDOM FROM COPS
FLY WHEELS/ROCKS
THE "dail"
INDEPENDENT's 169mm
BEING YOURSELF
US

House Rules, Anything Goes

HANGING OUT, NOT SKATING
COPS ON HORSES
PRINCE AND HIS RAIN
GOSSIP, AND PAISLEY
GIRLFRIENDS, WIFES
TRENDS TO FOLLOW
THE WORD NO/REJECTION
LIFE'S BULLSHIT
hatiNG LIFE
BROKEN SKATES
TAILS
NOTHING TO DO
NOTHING TO DIE FOR
JAH
COPS IN CARS
LIES OF ANY KIND
TEARS FOR FEARS
BEING AFRAID OF THE EDGE
NO BALLS
REMAINING STALE
VARIATIONS OF LIES
NOTHING TO KILL
THEM

ANY ADDITIONS!

SEEK AND YE SHALL FIND

THREE.



FROM THE STREETS WHERE
YOU LIVE

HERE WE STOOD AGAIN AT SOME TRIFLING PARTY,
GETTING LAME LOOKS CAUSE WE had BROUGHT OUR
SKATES LIKE WE WERE TRYING TO MAKE A STATE-
MENT UNAWARE THAT WAS OUR TRANSPORTATION
FOR THE NIGHT. BEING VERY OVER this, the usuals
SOCAILIZING IN THIER OWN SELF CREATED WORLD
(SOCAIL CIRCLES) WE DECIDED TO SHINE THIS
SCENE AND CREATE OUR OWN. WE LEFT WITH-OUT
ANY PHONY good byes AND FLOWED DOWN THE
STREETxIN NO Real DIRECTION but FOLLOWING
A LINE TO FUNxWE didn't have to go FAR,
SINCE all WE NEEDED was the STREETxWE saw
THE MEANS, SO WE APPLIED the ways.

PAINTED CURBS ABUSED by
COPERLESS GRINDS, CAR
BUMPERs SCARRED by BENT
SWEEPERs, SIDEWALK CRACKS
OLIED, TRASHCANS USED
AS lauching PADS. TOURISTS
WERE APPALLED by OUR ACTIONS
HOTEL OWNERS bummed, NONE
OF THE "COOL PEOPLE" SAW US
WHO NEEDS THIER bogos
RECOGINTION, NO ONE said to
"cool out," WE do what WE
WANTx ANYWHEREx ANY TIMEx
IN THE STREETSx Don't settle for walking.

SKATERs



PEDESTRIANS BEWARE

THE REAL STORY OF JACK-N-FILL, DOES THIS FRIENDSHIP TOO BAD FOR YOU

FOUR.

I MET A GIRL FROM PHILADELPHIA. HER NAME WAS PHYLISS. MY NAME, I TOLD HER, WAS JACK. SHE WAS ON VACATION FROM FILLMORE UNIVERSITY WHERE SHE MAJORED IN FILLOGY. SHE DROVE A F100 (SHE SAID THE F WAS FOR FILL) SHE SAID THAT I LOOKED LIKE ONE OF THOSE "PUNKS" SHE SAW ON PHIL DONAHUE. WE WENT TO FILL-EM-Fast AND GOT SOME GAS AND FILLED THE COOLERS WITH DRINKS. I BOUGHT HER A FILLEDENDRIN AND THEN SHE TOOK ME TO A PHILIPPINE'S RESTURANT WHERE WE FILLED OURSELVES WITH GOOD FOOD. AFTER THAT SHE SAID SHE WANTED TO GO TO NAG'S HEAD. SO WE DID. WE STOPPED AT PENN HILL. WE WENT TO THE TOP THEN WENT DOWN THE HILL. AND THAT'S HOW IT RE-

There's
a hole they are
looking to fill. "

GEE I wish
I could do
that

THIS
HURTS ME

NO, WE DON'T
THINK WE
ARE

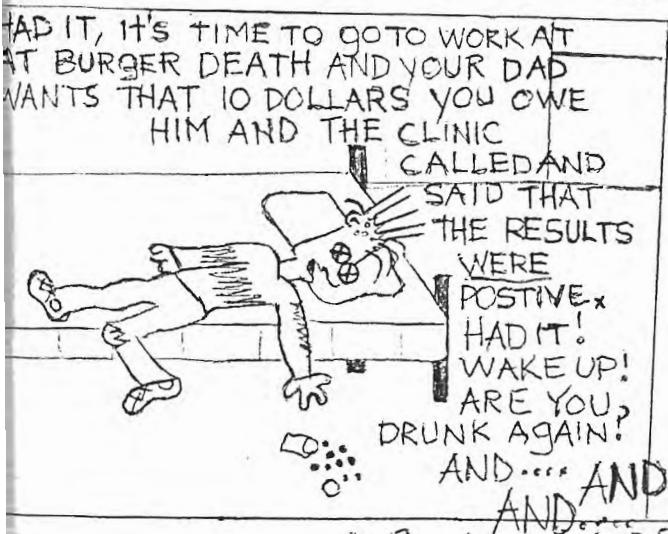
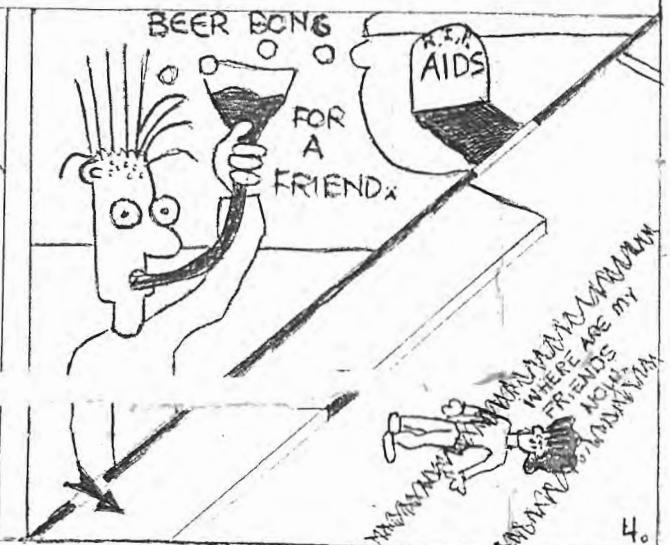
COUNTRY
DICK AS A
BLUE PLATE
SPECIAL

SUMMITTED BY
TEAM FILL

IT'S LIKE THEY RIDE
A VISION BOARD, WEAR
A ZORLAC T-SHIRT
AND GLOW
TO THEIR SHINS....

GOD

ARE ANYTHING
STUPID LIKE THAT,
JUST OPINIONS. DO
YOU HAVE ANY?



THE EDGE WAS BORN OUT OF THE DEBRIS OF OUR RESPECT FOR THE STALE STATE OF ANOTHER ZINES FLOATING AROUND THE AREA. I MEAN BLUNTLY THIER MORE TO LIFE THEN SKATING, NOT MUCH, BUT IT'S THE TRUTH. DON'T GET ME WRONG, SKATERS KNOW SKATING RULES, BUT A RAG CONSISTING OF FIVE PAGES OF SURF/SKATE SHOP ADS (WRV SHREDS) 5 PAGES OF PICTURES OF PEOPLE WE ALREADY KNOW RIP AND MAYBE A INTERVIEW WITH A PRO ALL THE KIDS IDOLIZES JUST DON'T SEEM TO WORK. NO VIEWS, NOTHING TO MAKE YOU WONDER OR THINK OR LAUGH, NO FLUENCES, JUST PRETTY NARROW.

I'AM NOT SAYING YOU SHOULD QUIT SKATING AND GET A PH.D OR ANYTHING IT JUST WHICH WAY DOES THE WORLD SPIN FOR YOU GUYS? OR DO YOU JUST SLIDE WITH EVERYONE ELSE? What makes you SKATE? to maybe some day hope you get your PICTURE IN a mag or something STUPID LIKE THAT? I'AM NOT SAYING EDGE RULES OVER OTHER LIFE, PEOPLE HAVE HATED ME BEFORE, SOME STILL DO. BUT THAT'S SEND A PICTURE, STORY, REPLY, NUDE SHOTS OF YOUR GIRL FRIEND WHATEVER (NO MONEY) YOU GOT A BRAIN USE IT. ILL: WRITER P.M.LISSICK: TALES FROM THE DARKSIDE SIK: EDITOR TLL: MEDITERRANEAN AVE

Not for the week



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WAS SLIPPING

MY GRASP ON EARTH

EVERYTHING

CLIMBES OF LOSING

CORNER. I WAS GETTING

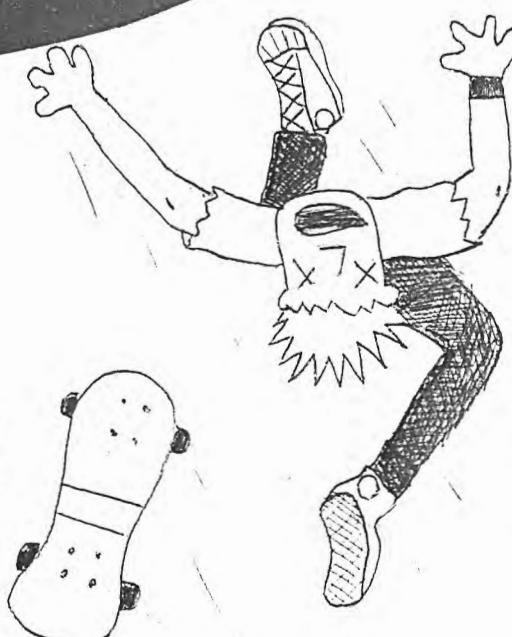
AROUND THE

INSANITY COMING

COULD FEEL



DON'T CRY.



"THINGS ARE PRETTY
GETTING OUT THERE,
UGLY OUT THERE,
CLIMBING'S ARE PRETTY

MARCH 34, 1985
I AM SLOWLY BUT
SURELY LOSING
MY MIND....

Like a failed tide
You mean, if you wanna be free, you
better be prepared to die for it?

He never knew what hit him.
I don't know why these things
happen to me.

VULD THIS
HAPPEN
TO YOU?

VISIONS

VULGAR

the ONES

WHEN YOUR IN VxBx SOCIAL SCENE
WHERE PEOPLE SAY THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT
THEY MEAN x

SOMETIMES YOU MIGHT SHINE ON A SELECT FEW
WHO CAN'T RELATE OR CARE
WHAT THE OTHERS DO x

NOT THE ONES WHO FOLLOW TRENDS
OR LEECHS WHO PLAY THE ROLE OF PHONY FRIENDS x
BEYOND THE INANNA-BEES AND
SURFER BUTHAIRS x

THERE'S A BENT FEW x

A BY PRODUCT OF SOCIETY VERY RARE
A CROSSCUT OF NO LABELED CLASS
A SELF CHOSEN GROUP x

THOSE WHO DON'T LIVE BEHIND A MASK

THE ONES WITH NAMES NOT FACES

THE ONES WHO LEARNED THIER LESSON IN
VxBx SOCIAL GAME x

THE ONES WHO SEEN IT ALL BEFORE

PRETENDING TO BE A SKATER

PRETENDING TO BE HARDCORE

WATCHING THE POUSERS COME AND GO

BEING ENGULFED BY A BLACK HOLE x

THE ONES WHO RESIST TO EXIST x

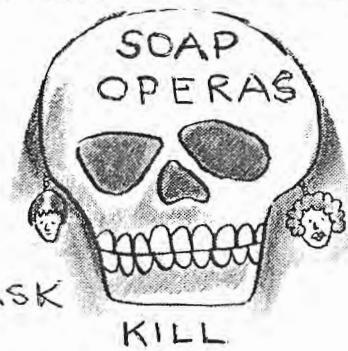
WALKING THE EDGE x

LIVING A RISK x

A FEW FAR AND INBETWEEN

THE ONES TRYING TO ESCAPE

THIS BOGUS SCENE x



IF I COULDN'T SKATE, I'D DIE

"It's very
depressing around
here. It's no fun"

Based on a true story.

9.



What makes Nik
tick? A tiny teen
idol speaks out.

Yakety Yak

"In a world of complex questions, the street strategist must become his own answer."

FIRST OFF LET'S SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT do you really eat cold PEAS right out of the can?

HA HA, YES but ONLY big GREEN Giant's PEAS cause THEY RULE

SO YOU ARE UNAFFECTED by what OTHERS would LABEL "SICK BEHAVIOR?"

I DO what I WANT, what OTHERS do AND say don't AFFECT ME IN the slightest,

KINDA LIKE A VERSE FROM AN ADOLESCENT SONG "WE DON'T CARE, WE DON'T SEE why, WE DON'T LIVE OUR LIVES TO KEEP YOU SATISFIED."

SO YOU FEEL TRENDS ARE FOR FOLLOWERS?

WHAT IS A TREND? Nothing but bullshit FOR those WHO DON'T HAVE A REAL LIFE OF THEIR OWN. SACRED TO BE INDEPENDENT.

Why do you SKATE?



FOR FUN AND CAUSE I LIKE it ALOT. AND CAUSE IT DOESN'T KEEP ME OFF the STREETS.

DO YOU SKATE EVERYDAY?

Yeah weather permitting, PUT it this way, I SKATE TO the mailbox -cause THERE'S A CURB ON THE WAY

smeag



"The crowd's not where it's at."

"I'm going to skate no matter what."

What do you ride?

*DOG TOWN STREET, ROCK WHEELS AND THE ONLY TRUCKS BUILT TO GRIND

DO YOU THINK ALOT OF PEOPLE STARTED SKATING CAUSE IT GOT SO POPULAR, WHEN THREE YEARS AGO THE SCENE WAS VERY VERY UNDERGROUND?

OF COURSE, CAUSE IF IT'S NOT POPULAR, THE TRENDYS WON'T HAVE NO PART OF IT UNLESS IT HAVE SOME SOCIAL VALUE

SO YOU THINK ALOT OF KIDS SKATE JUST TO BE SEEN ON THIER SKATES?

Yeah JUST TO BE COOL AND TRY TO FIT IN THEY SUCK!

SO THAT KINDA PERTURBS YOU, WHAT ELSE DOES?

BESIDES YOU, I HAVE TO SAY COPS AND RAMP SKATERS WHO PUT STREET SKATERS DOWN LIKE WE DON'T HAVE ANY BALLS

IT'S LIKE SKATING IS SKATING NO MATTER WHERE IT HAPPENS AS LONG AS YOU DO IT FOR YOURSELF, ANY LAST WORDS?

TO ALL THOSE GIRLS/GUYS STUCK ON THEMSELVES GO DIE.

BE YOURSELF, FUCK EVERYONE ELSE

DO IT YOURSELF !



* BROKE IN HALF
THE NEXT DAY

MORE STRANGE THAN MORE
FICTION

EXPAND

HEY MAN, CAN YOU DO A 360?" THE GRIT ASKED HIM, LIKE IF HE COULD DO A 360, HE WOULD BLESS HIM WITH HIS UNWANTED APPROVAL. "NO," THE KID REPLIED AND PUSHED AWAY LAUGHING ONTO THE WALL, CONTORTING SOMETHING THE GRIT WOULD NEVER RELATE TO (BONEWHAT) AND FLYING BACK IN. ANOTHER SKATER ROLLED ALONG THE WALL, ALL TOURIST EYES UPON HIM AS HE OLLIES THE BOARD INTO HAND, GIVES THE TRASH CAN A HARSH TAIL TAP AND EXISTS AT EXTREME HEIGHTS. THEY ARE BEWILDERED BY SUCH IRRATIONAL BEHAVIOR **untrendy** SHAKE THIER HEADS IN DISBELIEF, CONTINUE TO TROLL ALONG THE BOARDWALK. THE WAS GETTING RATHER CROWDED AS MORE PASSER-BYE TYPE LINGER TO WITNESS THE "SPECTACLE" THE SKATERS WERE PROVIDING, UNAWARE THIS IS A SPORT WHERE ALL SPECTATORS MEAN ZERO | **SPEAKING OF BUNK** ANOTHER SKATER FLOWED INTO THE SESSION, SKETCHY AT FIRST, THINKING HIS LINES MIGHT NOT MATCH UP TO THE OTHERS, HE BLOWS OFF THAT STUPID PEER PRESSURE CONCEPT AND BLUNTLY PULLS OFF A ICE PLANT TO AXLE STALL TO FINGER FLIP OFF THE BIG WALL'S CORNER. A BMX'ER CYCLED INTO THE SESSION, TWIRLED HIS BIKE AROUND A COUPLE OF TIMES RATHER NEATLY. HE APPROACHED THE SKATERS AND MUMBLED SOMETHING THAT SEEMED TO DISTURB THEM **DON'T TREAD** AS THEY SHINED HIM AND PROCEEDED TO PROGRESS, IT WAS GETTER MORE THAN HETIC (CHAOTIC MAYBE) AS THE MASSES GATHER AROUND WHAT USED TO BE AN ART FORM BUT NOW WHERE THOUSANDS OF TOURIST RELIEVE THEMSELVE DAILY AND WHERE THE STREET SKATERS SHRED INVISIBLE LINES ➔

YOUR LIMI

A FEW WANNA-BE SKAT
WITH NEW SKATES + REC
SAT DOWN. THE OTHERS
THIER FATE (staleness)
RULING MOHAWK APPRC
FOR A TEET RIDE. ON
THEY ALL Said NO EX:
AFRAID **spontaneous** THE
A SECOND | **aggression.**" THEI

SAD PLANT OFF THE W
DECK IN half. HE ROI
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CONTINED ON WITH HIS
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AS THEY PUSHED EACH CIMER TO
THE LIMITS, NO QUESTIONS WERE
ASKED OF HOW AND WHY ONLY
THE REAL ONES WHO KNOW THE
DIFFERENCES BETWEEN A TOOL OF
AGGRESSION AND A SYMBOL OF
WANTED STATUS. THOSE WHO SEEK
FUN OUT OF NOWHERE those
WHO CHOOSED TO BE HATED (the
POLICE AIDES) APPEARED LOOKING FOR THOSE
BREAKING THE RULES, BUT THEY WERE GONE
ONLY SEVERE MEMORIES REMAINED.



child I have laughed, from
the age I was three years old
until now and I want to have
fun all my life.

**CAN YOU
FIND THE
DIFFERENCE?**

I think it was just an outlet of
aggression, middle class white kids
have always been under the gun, you
know, from their parents, school,
society, and this was their way to
release things.

RISE ABOVE!

INDEPENDENT
NOW SHOWING

INDEPENDENT
TRUCK CO.

INDEPENDENT

NT INDEPENDENT INDEPENDENT INDEP



JT INDEPENDENT



JT INDEPENDENT



THAT'S RIGHT, GET DRUNK
AGAIN TONIGHT, IT WILL
SOLVE ALL YOUR
PROBLEMS
ISN'T THAT RIGHT?

TALK THAT TRASH"

What inner strengths do you call upon in difficult times?

CAUSE SHIT, IT'S SUMMER
YOU KNOW MAN, AND I
GOTTA BE DRUNK CAUSE
IT WILL BE FUNNIER THAN
IF I DIDN'T
ISN'T THAT RIGHT?

I MEAN, FUCK YOU KN
WHAT I MEAN, YOU GOT
BE FUCKED UP TO FIT IN
THE SCENE
ISN'T THAT RIGHT?

DRINK THAT

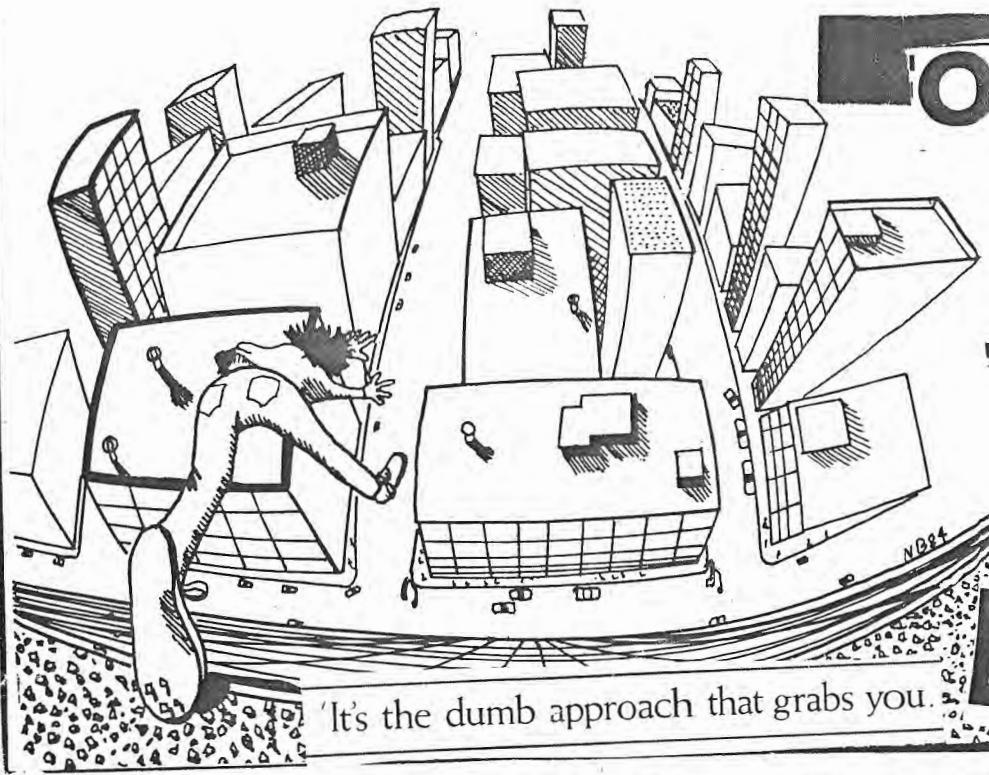
'I was on the edge

BESIDES EVERYONE ELSE
IS AND THEY KNOW WHAT
THEY'RE DOING DON'T THEY
CAUSE I KINDA SORTA
THINK I AM FUCKING UP
BUT I CAN'T WORRY ABOUT
IT, CAUSE SHIT I DON'T
KNOW, I'LL JUST GET DRUNK, FORGET ABOUT MY
PROBLEMS, FUCK what's happening with my life
I CAN'T RELATE TO ANYTHING but getting drunk.
I JUST DON'T KNOW shit about anything anymore
WHEN IS IT GONNA END, WHERE ARE MY FRIENDS NOW?
Why do I act this way? Why do I feel this way?
The beginning of the end? Fuck what is the deal?
It's no use, but it could, could... OF BEEN
DIFFERENT IF ONLY I wanted it toox

Fake or for real?

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'It's the dumb approach that grabs you.'

THOSE WHO DON'T REALIZE THAT IT MAY NOT PAY TO BE DIFFERENT BUT NO ONE REALLY CAN AFFORD TO BE THE SAME,
THOSE WHO ARE CREATED BY THE SITUATION, INSTEAD OF CREATING THE SITUATION,
THOSE WHO DON'T COMPREHEND THAT THE ENVIRONMENT IS ONLY AS RADICAL AS YOU MAKE IT,
THOSE WHO THINK STREET SKATING IS FOR WIMPS AND ONLY RAMP RAIDERS HAVE BALLS,
THOSE WHO ARE UNAWARE THAT A PIECE OF PLYWOOD IS SUITABLE FOR A RAMP OR A COFFEE TABLE, THE CHOICE IS YOURS,
THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW THAT AGGRESSION IS THE KEY TO THE AGGRO ZONE NOT A EXCUSE FOR HAVING A SKATE YOU RIDE ONCE A WEEK.

LOVE IT ALL

OR SOMETHING TO OFFEND EVERYONE,

THE GOOD, **SAD,** AND UGLY.

TRICKS ARE FOR KIDS, MANUVERS ARE FOR MEN
FUN has NO AGE LIMIT

THE BLIND ONLY LEAD THE BLIND

I LIKE RASTA, BUT I DON'T LIKE REGGAE
SKATERS WHO SAY "GEE I WISH I COULD SKATE LIKE
THAT" IT'S TRY OR DIE

THOSE WHO GRIND, DON'T WAIT IN LINE

MAN, THOSE FAT GIRLS GOTTA BE HATING LIFE

A TREND FOR A FRIEND WON'T BE A TREND IN THE END

NO WAY I CAN LIVE IN A WORLD ~~THIS GAY~~ WITH AIDS

WELCOME TO THE AGGRO ZONE (AFTER SEEING SOME
KID BEEF HEAVILY ON A TRASH CAN SWEEPER, HE CRIED,
DO OR DIE / I DIDN'T GET HURT OR NOTHING!)

THOSE WHO TELL DON'T KNOW, THOSE WHO KNOW DON'T TELL
SLIP IT IN GIRL / THIER GOING FISHING, FOR FLOUNDER

YOU HAVEN'T FAILED, UNTIL YOU GIVE UP

DO YOU KNOW A HOMO, KILL 'EM!

NO ONE KNOWS BETTER THAN ME, THAT THE LESS GIRLS
KNOW THE BETTER THIER LIKELY TO BE **III**

PEOPLE THINK SKATING NOT HAPPENING. THAT'S LIFE

WE DON'T CARE WHAT YOU THINK. THAT'S LIFE

IT'S BETTER TO DIE THEN LIVE A LIE

I LIKE IT A LOT

SHINE THOSE GUY (BOUNCERS) THIER LIVES NOTHING
BUT A FIX OF STEROIDS.

IT'S LIKE A WAFER, MON, GET IT AWAY FROM ME
THE YOUNG ONES RULE

THE EDGE

THE EDGE, THE BORDER BETWEEN REALITY AND A TRAGIC EXISTANCE, IT'S NOT A VISIBLE LINE IN WHICH MANY WOULD TREAD NOR IS IT A SOCIAL CONDITION THAT MOST SUFFER FROM. IT VARIES FROM PERSON TO PERSON DEPENDING ON ONE'S WILL, STATE OF BEING, MOTIVES AND INTERESTS. IN SOME DISTANT ENVIRONMENT, PEOPLE PURSUE A STRAIGHT EDGE: NO DRUGS, NO ALCOHOL, NO SMOKE, CONTROLLING YOUR ACTIONS, INSTEAD OF YOUR ACTIONS CONTROLLING YOU, NOT A MOVEMENT, MERELY AN ALTERNATIVE WAY OF LIFE. I DOUBT ANY EXIST LOCALLY TOO MUCH PEER PRESSURE, MORE LIKE LIMITED RADICALNESS OR BEING OUT OF TUNE INSTEAD OF "OUT OF STEP", MORE CLOSE TO HOME IS THOSE WHO WALK OR SKATE A BENT EDGE. INDIVIDUALS WHO PUSH IT TO THE EXTREME, ALWAYS LOOKING FOR THE HEIGHTS, NO LIMITATION, FEW RULES, SEEKING FUN. THEY DARE THE EDGE, SOME BLUNDER, OTHERS LIVE ANOTHER DAY. NO EDGE, TOTAL COMMITMENT, NO GOING BACK. HARSH REALITIES ARE A PART OF DAILY LIFE, HARD TO RELATE TO SINCE OTHER ASPECTS SUFFER, BEING BENT UNTIL YOU SNAP. OLDER PEOPLE USUALLY ARE EDGELESS SINCE THEIR LIFE IS ALMOST OVER, NO FUTURE. ALL THIS IS ONLY MY DEMENTED VIEW OF LIFE, IDEALISM. WHAT DO YOU THINK? WRITE US AND LET US KNOW.

THE EDGE

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Desperately Seeking Something..

17.

NO MORE MISTER NICE GUY

IN OUR OWN
WORLD

NO VISITORS
BEYOND
THIS POINT

AND
WHAT
HAPPENS
NEXT?



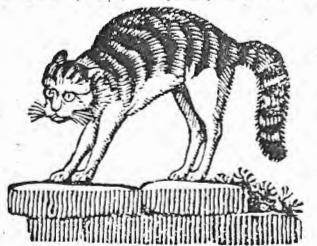
You want 12 inches, we've got it!
(Nothing less than seven inches—guaranteed.)

INDEPENDENT
UBER ALLES

THE LAST LAUGH



Expand your
Awareness



DEAD CATS HAVE
NO TAILS TO TELL

Remind your father he didn't
raise a cheap-skate.